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BRAINTEASERS . . .

. . . Round 2

It is time once again to stretch your mind as we present round two of the **Mariner** Brainteaser contest.

Your task is to answer the following 10 questions, plus the tie-breaking bonus, and have your answers postmarked by no later than next Tuesday. Send them to: Brainteasers, Mariner Newspapers, Box 682, Marshfield, Mass. 02050.

With that, we shall proceed.

TEASERS, PART II

1. — Although not a relative or even a friend at the time, this man was closest to Carl Yastrzemski when Carl got his very first hit in the major leagues. This same man was among the first to congratulate Carl when he got his celebrated 3,000th hit. Who was he?

2. — "If you give me a dollar,"
Said Ike to Mike,
"It will readily follow
That we both have alike."

Replied Mike with some choler
"I'll not be troubled
But you give me a dollar
And I'll have you doubled."

How many dollars did each have?

3. — a. Which state has the word Sunshine on its state flag? b. Which state has the word Industry on its state flag?

4. — When his jailers opened the creaky cell door and handed the corked bottle of wine to the Count of Crooked Misto, they laughed because they knew he had no corkscrew nor sharp instrument of any kind. They also knew the fastidious count would never break the bottle. Seconds later as they turned to go, they heard a chuckle. Peering into the cell, they saw the count calmly drinking the wine. How did he do it?

5. — Name four five-letter words (not proper nouns) that begin with the letter "i" and end with the letter "d".

6. — Two shepherds, Beni and Belzi, had for dinner five dishes of which Beni furnished three and Belzi two. A traveller, invited to eat with them, shared their meal. Upon finishing, he handed them five dollars, saying, "We have shared equally in the meal; we should share equally in providing it. Divide

the money between you." The problem: how should the two shepherds thus divide the money?

7. — How is it possible to throw a ball so that it will completely change its direction of travel and return to you without bouncing against or colliding with any solid object?

8. — Who said, "Just live your life so you wouldn't be afraid to sell your talking parrot to the town gossip."

9. — Hungry? Come along to Wong Lee's and buy those exotic lichee nuts, which he sells by the ounce. Marvel too at the ingenuity he displays in weighing any number of ounces from one to 364 by the use of a simple set of balance scales, with no more than six weights. And while you're picking the shells out of your teeth, pause for a few minutes to tell us how many ounces each of those six weights represents.

10. — Can you name a common noun that has the vowels "oei" together in that order? Go ahead and do it.

Bonus question: Who was named King when quite young and later was destined to become an American President?

Remember, insure that your answers (typed or printed clearly) are postmarked on or before next

Tuesday. Remember too, that we are giving a \$100 prize to the Brainteaser winner. Second prize is \$30 and third is \$20. Two-year subscriptions go to the fourth and fifth place winners and one-year subscriptions go to those who finish in the six through 10 spots.

ANSWERS

Here are the answers to last week's questions:

1. — Three choices here, including: 60 pennies, 39 dimes and one Susan B. Anthony dollar; six dimes, 90 pennies and four Susan B. Anthony Dollars, or 50 dimes and 50 pennies.

2. — Long life or old age.

3. — California (golden state); Nevada (silver state); Arizona (copper state).

4. — 24 seconds.

5. — President Richard Nixon.

6. — We'll accept added or daddy.

7. — A cat's jaw moves up and down, never sideways; a dog's jaw can move in either direction.

8. — 14th day.

9. — It won't run at all without winding.

10. — "To talk of many things."

Bonus: Gutemala (quetzal).

Second Week on Scale Trail

By Polly Sarcia

(In case you missed last week's introduction, this is the second in a four part series following the progress of the author as she undergoes the first four weeks of an intensive weight loss program at Bodyworks in Scituate. Stay tuned for part four, in which Polly Sarcia will reveal her true identity.)

SEVEN AND A HALF POUNDS IN SEVEN DAYS!!! Now, that may not sound like much to you, but it's sheer poetry to me. Once upon a time, I lost eight pounds in one week, but that was on a liquid fasting diet; the minute I

started eating again, it all came back. These seven are gone for good (good riddance!) I'd like to be able to tell you that it was a snap; that my stomach does not rumble; that I do not dream of pizza and hot dogs and beer. But that's simply not true — yet. Everywhere I turn, I am reminded of the things I cannot have; the television tortures me daily with visions of big macs, smiling cokes and friendly mountains; I have passed up on the movies tonight, not ready to face the popcorn machine; the bowl of goldfish on the table in the lounge at P.J.'s have driven me to smoking a pack of cigarettes in two hours (well, you can't expect

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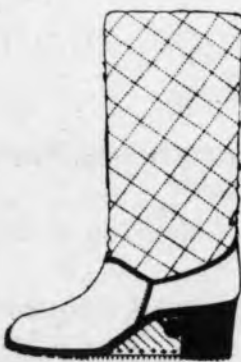
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